

Network Information Center México

NIC Mexico's Advisory Committee Recommendations on Phishing.

Recomendations from the AC 7th meeting.

ccNSO Members meeting



Some initail considerations

- Phishing numbers under .MX
 - In 2006 there where 40 .MX domain names involved in phishing activities.
 - 2% of all the cases in Mexico.
 - In 2007 there are only 5 domain names.
 - 1% of all the cases in Mexico.
- Hypothetical anti-Phishing Policy
 - It's about the domain name but mostly about the content.
 - The only goal is to remove the domain from the DNS.
 - Waiting for a holder answer reduce its efectiveness.



What we have done? (I)

- Don't publish domain names in the DNS when there is not a payment process completed (stop domain tasting in our Registrar).
 - To reduce especulators and force the use of a payment method (which usually provides relevant information from the delinquent).
- Adjusted the procedure to remove domain names in case there is mistaken information in the Whois.
 - Speed up the process to act by ourselves without any initial communication from an external party.
- October 2006.



What we have done? (II)

- In Mexico, the Police "Policia Federal Preventiva" has power to ask us to remove a domain name from the DNS, when:
 - There is the supposition of a crime against the finantial system.
 - They ask us the elimination by written letter.
- They've done so five times in 2007.
- It take us two days maximum to attend this request.
 - But banking industry is complaining about Police times!
 - It takes them about two weeeks in the best cases.
- So far, there are few cases but those numbers could grow.
 - We don't want bad Press.
 - So, we asked the Advisory Commmittee for a recommendation and hold a face to face meeting the 25th of September.



Recommendations

- NIC Mexico should do something about this problem
 - Because there is a hazard to the Internet in Mexico that may cause a damage to NIC Mexico.
- But, those actions must be limited by the next considerations:
 - Are within current scope of NIC Mexico (not to dive into content regulation).
 - Avoid damage to Mexico's Internet infraestructure (NIC Mexico, .MX DNS, ISPs).
 - Don't excuse the authorities to do their job.
 - Don't affect the growth and development of .MX domain names.
- Among those possible actions, are:
 - Increase coordination with Mexican Autorithies in order to improve their response times to those incidents.
 - To look for additional mechanisms, not superseding those with the Autorithy:
 - To notify the domain name holder before any action.
 - No DNS suspension unless requested by authorithy, as currently done.
 - To follow up the statistics (CERT in Mexico) of those cases and learn from different solutions in other countries.



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